MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YVONNE B. BURKE

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WHEREAS, the County of Los Angeles is committed to ensuring the safety and security of all those living in and visiting our County; and

WHEREAS, fire is a serious public safety concern both locally and nationally, and the home is where people are at greatest risk from fire; and

WHEREAS, the non-profit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has focused on fire safety, teaching people how to prevent fires, and protect themselves and their loved ones from its associated dangers. Your home is a safe haven. To ensure fire safety, it is wise to take extra caution to regularly check for fire hazards throughout your home. These measures will prevent the leading causes of home fires – cooking, heating, electrical and smoking materials; and

WHEREAS, the first responders are dedicated to reducing the occurrence of home fires and associated injuries through prevention and public education; and

WHEREAS, County of Los Angeles residents are responsive to public education measures and are able to take personal steps to increase their safety from fire; and

WHEREAS, creating and putting into action a plan to prevent and escape home fires in Los Angeles County is also a way to prevent injury, death and property damage; and

WHEREAS, the 2008 Fire Prevention Week Theme, "Prevent Home Fires", effectively serves to remind us all of the simple actions we can take to stay safe from fire throughout the year.

I, THEREFORE MOVE that Board hereby proclaim "October 2008: "Fire Prevention Month" throughout the County of Los Angeles.

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